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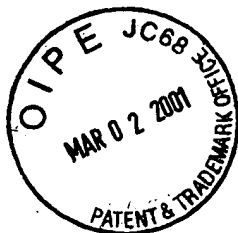
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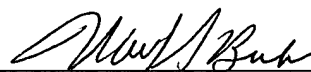
**SUBMISSION OF ENGLISH PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT**

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Sir:

Submitted herewith is an English language Preliminary Examination Report for the  
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